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E. O. 11652 : GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UN, VS

SUBJECT: UN LIAISON OFFICE FOR PRG

REF: ( A ) SAIGON 5614 ( B ) USUN 1276

1. YOU SHOULD RESPOND ORALLY TO GVN MEMORANDUM MAKING POINTS  
SET FORTH BELOW.

2. AS GVN AWARE, USG HAS SET FORTH PUBLICLY ITS OPPOSITION  
TO ESTABLISHMENT OF PRG LIAISON OFFICE TO UN. SECRETARY  
ROGERS MADE THIS POINT CLEAR IN HIS STATEMENT OF MARCH 5  
IN PARIS, WHEN HE SAID " PAST PRACTICE AND PRECEDENTS  
CLEARLY INDICATE" THAT SUCH A STEP SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN.

3. BEYOND THIS WE REPEATEDLY HAVE MADE CLEAR OUR POSITION  
IN PRIVATE TALKS WITH SECRETARY- GENERAL WALDHEIM, INCLU-  
DING TWICE LAST WEEK. IN THIS CONNECTION, POINTS SET  
FORTH IN GVN NOTE SIMILAR TO OUR OWN THINKING ON ESTAB-  
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LISHMENT OF LIAISON OFFICE.

4. WHILE TECHNICALLY, UNDER THE UN HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT, IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO DENY VISAS TO PERSONS COMING TO NEW YORK ON UN BUSINESS, WE DO NOT THINK THIS MATTER WILL ARISE BECAUSE WALDHEIM KNOWS WE WOULD STRENUOUSLY RESIST THIS. IN THE PAST, THE SECRETARY- GENERAL HAS AVOID-ED FORCING SUCH AN ISSUE, AND WE NOW BELIEVE HE UNDER- STANDS GRAVITY WITH WHICH WE WOULD VIEW HIS GRANTING OF

OBSERVER OR EQUIVALENT STATUS.

5. WE THINK IT WOULD BE HIGHLY UNDESIREABLE FOR GVN TO FOCUS ATTENTION ON US VISA ISSUE, SINCE IF THIS WERE REGARDED AS THE CENTRAL PROBLEM, IT COULD BE EASILY CIR- CUMVENTED BY LOCATING LIAISON OFFICE IN SWITZERLAND.

6. YOU SHOULD STRESS THAT IT WOULD SERVE NEITHER GVN NOR US INTEREST FOR GVN TO RELEASE MEMORANDUM IN QUESTION OR OTHERWISE TO PUBLICIZE THIS MATTER, ESPECIALLY QUESTION OF US VISAS. THIS WOULD MAKE IT NECESSARY FOR WALDHEIM TO REACT, TO PROVE THAT HE IS NOT SUSCEPTIBLE TO PRESSURE.  
ROGERS

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